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ELECTION

Dear Sir:

In response to U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Action dated February 27, 2007, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire March 27, 2007, having been extended for three months so as to expire on June 27, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on Page 5 of this paper.